

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: QWEST CORPORATION AND CIERA NETWORK SYSTEMS, INC.	DOCKET NO. NIA-01-11
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ORDER APPROVING NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

(Issued June 6, 2001)

On April 26, 2001, Qwest Corporation and Ciera Network Systems, Inc., filed a negotiated interconnection agreement for review by the Utilities Board (Board) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). On May 3, 2001, the Board issued an order, identified as Docket No. NIA-01-11, allowing any interested party the opportunity to submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing. No comments were filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Board may reject a negotiated interconnection agreement if it finds either (1) the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or (2) the implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Based upon the record made in this docket, the filed agreement does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier and is not inconsistent with the public purpose and will be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The negotiated interconnection agreement filed on April 26, 2001, by Qwest Corporation and Ciera Network Systems, Inc., is approved to be effective upon the issuance of this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 6th day of June, 2001.